



Marine (Scotland) Act 2010

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PART 3

MARINE PLANNING

Marine plans

6 Conformity of marine plans with other documents

- (1) A national marine plan and a regional marine plan must be in conformity with any marine policy statement currently in effect for the Scottish marine area, unless relevant considerations indicate otherwise.
- (2) A regional marine plan must be in conformity with any national marine plan currently in effect, unless relevant considerations indicate otherwise.
- (3) For the purposes of this Part, a marine policy statement is “currently in effect” for the Scottish marine area if—
 - (a) the statement has been adopted by the Scottish Ministers in accordance with Schedule 5 to the 2009 Act,
 - (b) the statement has been published in accordance with paragraph 12 of that Schedule,
 - (c) the statement has not been replaced by a later marine policy statement (see section 45(3) of that Act),
 - (d) the Scottish Ministers have not withdrawn from the statement in accordance with section 48 of that Act, and
 - (e) the statement has not been withdrawn (by virtue of the withdrawal of the Secretary of State in accordance with that section).